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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE: OHM INTERNATIONAL

1. OHM INTERNATIONAL, WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTING AGENT FOR WESTINGHOUSE, CONTRACTED WITH BANGLADESH POWER DEVELOPMENT BOARD (BDPB) IN MAY 1973 FOR DOLS 313,000 WORTH OF SPARES AND SPARE PARTS FOR TURBINE ENGINES. PORTION OF ORDER HAS BEEN DELIVERED, BUT OUTSTANDING REMAINDER (DOLS 180,000 FAS) HAS NOT REPEAT NOT BEEN PAID FOR OR SHIPPED. L/C ISSUED FOR THIS ORDER EXPIRED JUNE 1974 AND HAS NOT REPEAT NOT BEEN RENEWED, DESPITE ASSURANCES FROM BDPB THAT IT WOULD BE EXTENDED IN 11/74 AND IN 5/75.

2. OHM INTERNATIONAL IS HIGHLY CONCERNED ABOUT CONTINUED FAILURE OF BDG TO PAY FOR THIS SPECIALIZED ORDER, WHICH CANNOT BE SOLD TO ANY OTHER BUYER, AND HAS REQUESTED OUR ASSISTANCE. INASMUCH AS PARTS ARE ESSENTIAL FOR CONTINUED OPERATION OF TURBINES, WE ASSUME BDG INTENDS TO PURCHASE THEM EVENTUALLY BUT HAS NOT AUTHORIZED NEW L/C IN ACCORD WITH SEVERE IMPORT RESTRICTION MEASURES TAKEN DURING FY-75 TO IMPROVE BDP.

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3. BANGLADESH EMBASSY MAINTAINS FAULT RESTS WITH OHM

INTERNATIONAL, WHICH FAILED TO SUPPLY MATERIAL WITHIN CONTRACT PERIOD. EMBASSY HAS NOT REPEAT NOT ACTUALLY SEEN CONTRACT, BUT HAS FORWARDED OHM INTERNATIONAL'S COMPLAINT TO DACCA FOR BPDB ACTION.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE INVESTIGATE SITUATION AND PROVIDE REPORT FOR US TO PASS TO OHM INTERNATIONAL. CONTACTS ARE: (1) OHM INTERNATIONAL'S AGENT, H. A. MANSUR, PRESIDENT, CRANE ASSOCIATES, 64 MOTIJHEEL C.A., POST OFFICE BOX 812, DACCA, TELEPHONE 246039; (2) MANSUR RAHMAN, DIRECTOR OF PURCHASING, BPDB, WAPDA BUILDING, DACCA; (3) ABDUL MATIN, PURCHASE OFFICER, BPDB, WAPDA BUILDING, DACCA. KISSINGER

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